Mongondow language

Mongondow, or *Bolaang Mongondow*, is one of the Philippine languages spoken in Bolaang Mongondow Regency and neighbouring regencies of North Sulawesi (Celebes) and Gorontalo Provinces, Indonesia.[3]

Contents

Mongondow	
Bolaang Mongondow	
Native to	Indonesia
Region	North Sulawesi
Ethnicity	Mongondow people
Native speakers	230,000 (2000 census)[1]

Language family	Austronesian
	• Malayo-Polynesian
	  • Philippine
	   • Greater Central Philippine
	    • Gorontalo–Mongondow
	     • Mongondowic
	      • **Mongondow**

Language codes	
ISO 639-3	mog
Glottolog	mong1342 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/mong1342)[2]

Phonology

Mongondow has the following phoneme inventory:[4]

Vowels

	Front	Central	Back
Close	i		u
Mid	e		o
Open		a	

Consonants

		Labial	Alveolar	Palatal	Velar	Glottal
Plosive	voiceless	p	t		k	ʔ
	voiced	b	d	(d͡ʒ)	g	
Fricative			s			h
Nasal		m	n	ɲ	ŋ	
Lateral			l			
Rhotic			r			
Approximant		w		j		

The lateral /l/ is pronounced as alveolar [l] when adjacent to the front vowels /e/, /i/. In all other environments, it is a retroflex [ɭ].[5]

Grammar

Pronouns

The personal pronouns are:[6]

	nominative	genitive	oblique
1.sg.	*akuoy*	*-ku*	*inako'*
2.sg.	*iko*	*-mu*	*inimu*
3.sg.	*sia*	*-ea/-nya*	*inia*
1.pl.inclusive	*kita*	*-naton*	*inaton*
1.pl.exclusive	*kami*	*-nami*	*inami*
2.pl.	*mo'iko* *kamu-**	*-monimu* *-namu-**	*imonimu* *-inamu-**
3.pl.	*mosia* *taya-**	*-monia* *-naya-**	*imonia* *inaya-**
* *kamu-*, *taya-* etc. are used with suffixed numerals, e.g. *taya-tolu* "the three of them"			

Numerals

1	inta' / mita'[7]
2	dua' / doyowa'
3	tolu'
4	opat
5	lima
6	onom
7	pitu
8	ualu
9	siow
10	mopulu'
11	mopulu' bo mita'
12 (...)	mopulu' bo doyowa'
20	doyowa no pulu'
21 (...)	doyowa no pulu' bo mita'
30	tolu no pulu'
40 (...)	opat no pulu'
100	mogatut
200 (...)	doyowa no gatut
1000	tongo ribu
2000 (...)	doyowa no ribu

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